



Family of Small Tents (2, 3, and 4 Soldier Tents)

What It Is:

In high winds, heavy snow or desert heat...our three small tents — for two, three or four soldiers — can withstand weather extremes but are light and small enough for soldiers to backpack into the field.

Why It's Needed:

Before we developed this new family of tents, the only alternatives were bigger, bulkier shelters that were too heavy to backpack and took too long to set up.

How It Works:

2-Man Shelter (NSN 8340-01-452-5919): About 35,000 of these tents have already been produced for the Marine Corps to use in desert and temperate conditions. Our rigorous physical requirements include weight, size and packaged size; withstanding snow loads, wind-driven rain and winds up to 40 mph; and undergoing multiple set-up and tear-down cycles without failure. The tent uses three durable poles to increase stability. The reversible fly-in camouflage green and desert tan-can be used as a stand-alone shelter. Screened vents on the two doors and roof aid the flow of air.

3-Man Shelter (LEWS) (NSN 8340-01-429-5932): Special Operations Forces use this shelter in the extreme weather of arctic, desert and mountain regions. The LEWS is designed with a waterproof rainfly-in desert tan, arctic white or woodland green-that provides an additional 10 ft² of storage space. The tent body is vapor-permeable with a waterproof, tub-style floor. The shelter withstands snow loads, wind-driven rain, wind gusts up to 65 mph, and temperature extremes of -25° to 120° F. Vents on the tent roof and doors minimize the build-up of condensation.

4-Man Shelter (ECWS) (NSN 8340-01-406-9299): This Marine Corps shelter-for arctic and temperate weather conditions-has two rainflies in arctic white and woodland camouflage green. The ECWS is similar to the LEWS in its design and physical requirements. However, each rainfly provides an additional 30 ft² of storage space, and the shelter is also equipped with a loft for gear.



Benefits:

Quick Setup...These small, light tents are easy to erect and tear down in all environmental conditions.

Visual Blackout...The tent fabric blocks out light from flashlights used inside of the tent and meets stringent flammability requirements.

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Physical Characteristics

	2-Man	3-Man	4-Man
NSN:	8340-01-452-5919	8340-01-452-5919	8340-01-452-5919
Weight:	8.5 lbs	12 lbs	18 lbs
Height:	45 in	45 in	60 in
Floor Area (min):	40 ft ²	45 ft ²	60 ft ²
Vestibule (min):	10 ft ²	10 ft ²	60 ft ²
Season:	3	4	4
Wind:	40 mph	50 mph	50 mph
Packing Size:	.5 ft ³	1.1 ft ³	1.6 ft ³



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